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Title: Methods and Apparatus for Contingent Transfer
and Execution of Spoken Language Interfaces

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding final Office Action dated May 19, 2003, Applicants submit herewith the following remarks for consideration in the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal is submitted concurrently herewith.

REMARKS

The present application was filed on December 14, 1999 with claims 1-8. Claims 9-19 were added in an Amendment dated March 7, 2001. In the outstanding Office Action dated May 19, 2003, the Examiner has: (i) rejected claims 6, 7, 13, 14 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2002/0091513 A1 to Mozer et al. (hereinafter "Mozer"); (ii) rejected claims 8 and 15-17 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being